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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 484

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

SB 484 would provide first-day coverage for Regents unclassified employees under a service-connected accidental death benefit provision during their year of waiting to become members of the Board of Regents retirement plan. Another provision gives coverage to two employees at the School for the Blind who are long-term state workers but not members of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS), and therefore without this benefit.

Background

Most other state employees have first-day coverage for accidental death benefits, and Regents unclassified as well as most other state employees have accidental death benefit coverage after their year of waiting. A representative of the Board of Regents testified in support of this bill. According to KPERS staff, there is no fiscal note since the mortality rate for this group of less than 1,600 employees is presumed to be low.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org/cgi-bin/fulltext/bills.cgi>